

THE TOWNSHIP DIRECTOR

SAW Grant Project Comes to a Close



Carrollton Township applied for a grant administered by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) in December of 2013. The MDEQ awarded Carrollton Township the grant. The grant is from the Storm Water, Asset Management, and Wastewater Program or "SAW". We received the grant award in October, 2014 in the amount of \$636,446. In order to receive the grant, Carrollton Township had to commit to a 10% match with that figure being \$63,645. The Township has until October 31, 2017 to spend the money on the improvement projects outlined in our grant application.

Grant accomplishments

When trying to pick repair projects on underground infrastructure such as sewer mains, it becomes problematic because you can't readily see the failing or weak areas. The first order of business for the SAW Grant was to have the entire sanitary sewer system cleaned, televised and recorded.

With that data, a condition assessment was then performed. The condition assessment looks for problem areas that need repair and then rates them by order of importance. This list gives the Township direction in deciding which repair projects to fund in the future.

The grant will also pay for the construction of a Geographical Information System (GIS) that will encompass the entire wastewater system. The GIS along with the power of new technology will allow the Department of Public Works' staff to be able to view and locate critical information while out in the field as opposed to having to return to the office and look at a blueprint.

As the grant concludes, Carrollton Township has a much better understanding of our sanitary sewer systems' condition. The Township has all of the system's components inventoried and analyzed for a projected life span. Moving forward, we now have a very well thought-out Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for a critical piece of the Township's infrastructure.

Office Holiday Closings:

Thanksgiving

Thursday Nov 23 & Friday Nov 24

*Garbage & Last Yard Waste Pickup
delayed to Friday, Nov 24*

Christmas

Mon, Dec 25 & Tues, Dec 26

*Garbage Pickup delayed to
Friday, Dec 29*

New Year's

Mon, Jan 1 & Tues, Jan 2, 2018

Garbage Pickup delayed to Fri, Jan 5

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Monday, January 15

Enjoy the holidays!



Recycling – Have you outgrown your recycling bin? Residents may now use a 45-gallon or smaller can with handles, labeled with a “recyclables only” sticker. Cans not only hold more recyclables than bins, they help prevent blowing litter. You provide the can, we’ll provide the stickers! Stickers are available at the Carrollton Township Offices. Recycling is easier than ever now that you do not need to sort your recyclables - all plastic, metal, glass & paper can go into one container.

Holiday light recycling drive - MMWA’s holiday light recycling drive will run from Nov 15, 2017, to Jan 15, 2018. Please visit our website for drop-off locations and other program details or call us at (989) 781-9555.

Questions? Call us! If you need to report a missed pick-up or other service issue, please call us at **(989) 781-9555** before 5 pm the day after your service day. Remember, trucks start collecting at 7 am. Routes can change for many reasons, so your collection time may vary, which means all materials should be at the curb by 7 am.

HSW program will return in 2018 - We wrapped up our successful 2017 hazardous waste, paint, & electronics collection program in September. If you have these materials, please hold onto them until the program returns in Spring 2018. Call us or visit our website in mid-April for the 2018 schedule and other program details.

Inclement weather - Winter is just around the corner and with winter comes icy and snowy roads. Roads that are found to be impassable when a truck goes by will not have collection service reattempts until your next regular service day the following week. In the event that collection is canceled in the entire township, MMWA will alert residents via its website, Facebook page & televised notices on the following television stations: NBC25, WEYI25, & FOX66.

New website - For details about trash, recycling and other MMWA services and programs, visit our new website at www.recyclemotion.org

Winter Property Taxes Due February 14, 2018

Your winter property tax bill should be in your mailbox on or around **December 1, 2017**. If you do not receive one, please make sure to call the Township Office and we will send you a duplicate. ***The Township can not be responsible for the U.S. Postal Service.*** To avoid penalty, you must pay your taxes by **Wednesday, February 14, 2018**. A 3% penalty will be applied to all unpaid tax bills on February 15. You may still pay the amount (with penalty) at the Township Office up until **Wednesday, February 28, 2018**. Beginning March 1, 2018 - all 2017 property taxes MUST be paid at the Saginaw County Treasurer’s Office located at the Court House, 111 S. Michigan Ave. 48602.

Do you still owe your 2017 summer property taxes?? You may pay those at the Township Office up until February 28, 2018. Please be sure to call and get the payoff amount as interest has been applied each month since the summer tax due date of Sept. 14, 2017.

Partial payments are accepted for property taxes - however, penalties and interest will be applied to the remaining unpaid balance and all unpaid bills will be forwarded to the Saginaw County Treasurer’s Office for collection on March 1, 2018.

All payments must be received in the Township Office by the due dates....**postmarks are NOT accepted!** You may also use our convenient drive-up drop box located in the front parking lot. If you don’t mind paying a convenience fee, you may also pay your tax bill online at www.carrolltontwp.com or by phone at 1-855-825-0553. You will need your parcel ID number from your tax bill. Any questions, call 754-4611.